

JANUARY 2022

STANDING COMMITTEE UPDATE TO SIAC

Standing Committees' Charge per SIAC Policy:
Standing committees have the authority to make decisions only as may be specifically assigned by a majority of a quorum of the Council. Standing Committees are tasked with implementing SIAC's Strategic Plan.



DISABILITY

Chair: Rhonda Logsdon, KY-SPIN
Staff: Chasiti Dowdy, AOC

Members represented at December meeting include the following: KY-SPIN, AOC, DBHDID, OVR, P&A, Parent Rep, KATC, KDE

Disability Standing Committee continues to focus on two SIAC Strategic Plan Goals: *Increase Equity in Service Access and Outcomes* and *Support the development of a compassionate workforce to reduce the compounding stigma that results from the intersectionality of issues faced by children and transition-age youth with and at risk of developing behavioral health needs.*

This Standing Committee developed and distributed three surveys: SIAC Members; Agencies and Organizations; and Individuals and Families.

- SIAC Members survey closed December 13.
- Agencies and Organizations survey is now open and closes January 24. This survey is for any agency/organization serving children and transition-age youth with disabilities and their families.
- Individuals and Families survey (for individuals with disabilities and their families) opens January 5 and closes February 21.

Standing Committee requests assistance in distributing the Family Survey.

In addition to the surveys, the Disability Standing Committee is gathering the latest research and evidence-based literature related to disabilities and both goals mentioned above.

Meets monthly prior to SIAC
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83811640172>

OUTREACH & PROMOTION

Chair: Kate Overberg Wagoner, DBHDID
Staff: Joy Varney, DBHDID

Members represented at December meeting include the following:
DBHDID, MCOs, Parent Rep, Youth Rep, KDE, RIACs

Focused primarily on SIAC Goal: *Utilize SIAC to Increase Participation in the Governance of Kentucky's System of Care*. Outreach & Promotion created the second edition of the quarterly SIAC Newsletter. It was disseminated on December 15, 2021, to 429 recipients with a 29% open rate.

If you would like information included in an upcoming newsletter, visit:
<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=TX9812fXH0a2JQYoeS6eKmwE0rRKIM9Puk38VPsLLmhUOFpDS01DT1M4QzVJME9CNFpFQkM1UkJVUC4u>
Contact Joy.Varney@ky.gov with any newsletter questions.

**Meets 2nd Monday of each month
from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. EST**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87699371085?pwd=SFI3TmsrdmZ4MEMycFhBV2ZBMFZ5Zz09&from=addon>

*SIAC Standing Committees are open to the public.
Each Standing Committee welcomes new members.
Ideally, every Standing Committee would include representation from each
SIAC agency/organization as well as other community partners.*

RACIAL & ETHNIC DISPARITIES (RED)

Chair: Pastor Edward L. Palmer, Sr.

Staff: Dominique Clark, AOC

Members represented at December meeting include the following: AOC, DBHDID, DCBS.

RED is focused on two SIAC Strategic Plan Goals: *Increase Equity in Service Access and Outcomes* and *Support the development of a compassionate workforce to reduce the compounding stigma that results from the intersectionality of issues faced by children and transition-age youth with and at risk of developing behavioral health needs.*

RED is actively seeking members from every SIAC organization in order to have an intentional conversation about the RED work each agency is doing. Beginning in January, agencies are presenting their data and RED work within their agencies. The next step will be mapping of RED work across agencies.

RED will host its next panel discussion this spring. The recordings for *Justice for All: Moving From Protest to Policy* panel discussions can be found at <https://dbhdid.ky.gov/dbh/siac.aspx#>.

RED is requesting an official name change to Racial, Ethnic, & Equity Disparities (REED) to purposefully include intersectionality of other social identities, in addition to race, such as gender identity, sexual orientation, ability, age, etc.

Meeting times vary; contact
Dominique for meeting invites
DominiqueClark@kycourts.net

SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL HEALTH & WELL-BEING (SEH&WB)

Chair: Christina Weeter, KDE
Staff: Vestena Robbins, DBHDID

Members represented at December meeting include the following: KDE, DBHDID, OVR, Parent Rep, Youth Rep, DJJ, AOC, KPFC, RIACs, DPH, UK, KARP

The SEH&WB Standing Committee has created action items for four SIAC Strategic Plan goals, with a primary focus on the goal *Build Organizational and Community Capacity to Promote the Social and Emotional Health and Wellbeing of Kentucky's Children and Transition-age Youth & Our Workforce*.

SEH&WB Standing Committee is creating an infographic: *Cross-Agency Strategies to Promote Social and Emotional Competencies among the Children, Youth, and Young Adults and their Families Served by our Agencies and within our Workforce* that will be shared broadly upon completion.

December Awareness Days

- December 1: World AIDS Day Home - World AIDS Day
- December 3: International Day of Persons with Disabilities International Day of Persons with Disabilities – 3 December | United Nations Enable
- December 10: Human Rights Day Human Rights Day | United Nations

January Awareness Days

- January 17: Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- January 27: Holocaust Remembrance Day INTERNATIONAL
HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY - January 27, 2022 - National Today

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<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85991810737>